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Precious, Hubby dear: —

Since I have read your Thursday letter, I have been terribly miserable. Thought of you all day yesterday — and oh! the load in my heart! Honey, dear, I have suffered frightfully. Yet, as I told you in Saturday's letter, I do not see any other way out, but to leave things as they now are, planned and I will be with you May 10. Have rec'd your ~~Monday~~ Friday letter and am so very, very sorry that you were unable to sleep all Thursday night. I know just how much you suffered & are suffering, and dear, that is what almost drives me crazy. Come, dear, brace up, and I promise you I shall be with you Sat. May 10th. Why did you write "I want you to leave May 1st, but if you don't want to, then the 8th at the latest"? Honey, this cancel you, after all that I have explained the reason the trip has to be delayed. "I don't want to"? In both my Sat + to-day's letters, I felt as though you are resigning yourself to the idea that this change in our plans was satisfactory to me. Honey, I hope by now, you see the thing as it is, and remember, back, that I love you just as much as you love me, and this separation is torturing me just as much. When I come home here, which honey will be soon, very soon, we will talk it over, and I am sure you will see that I did only what I should have done. May 1st will be a terrible day for me, for I had looked forward to it for so long a time but I only hope that the other few days will soon pass. It will be impossible for me to come on the 1st. — Dear, if there was any, any chance at all, believe me, I would take it, — but look dear, the 8th will see me off. There will be absolutely no hitch here in the deal as I told you in Sat letter, they have already engaged the man. Where it is? [illegible] around Islands

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suffering illness of women's that caused me to ask the
to have him come May 1st. And, honey dear, if anyth

happen that the man engaged does not show up, I shall bear regardless. Honey, dear, always remember how much I love you, and how much I want to be with you, don't you? Really & truly how much it has cost me, to have to tell you it will be a week more before I am with you. Tell me dear how much you love me, don't you, when you write again?

I worked very hard yesterday. I had intended to do so much Saturday night — for honey, you know I shall only have a short week in which to pack, sleep etc. — and that week will mostly be spent with the dentist. And who do you suppose came? Ada Winston came from Florida, and Morris, too, came home, discharged. It was impossible for me to do a thing while they were there. To cap all my troubles, I got a letter from Ada, and she is — as usual — ! Ann looks quite badly — worse than when she left, I think. My not being able to do anything Sat night, — and your letter, — kept me awake a great deal of the night. By 8 in the morning I was down in the kitchen sewing. Everything was fine and dandy — when more company ! Mendal & Kay & the Baby — Lawrence, Bertha Dolof, and Morris were all in the kitchen, too, — so I simply had to give up. Later in the evening however, I did a little more, but I was pretty tired and woke up when I went to bed. Feel a little better this morning. Helen sure is a dear wonderful baby, so I spent that part of the afternoon with her. Everyone seemed so happy — but I dear was plain, simply miserable.

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Where, love, are you going to spend to-night? Honey, dear, I sure do wish you enjoy yourself, hear? If only I could be with you! But soon, long soon, next passover we will be together, eh, love? I am going down to the house (your mother's) to-night to

to morrow I shall be with my mother. Ray, Lawrence and the baby are going to be with them — the Entire office. I am rushing this letter through, as I want to write as much as I possibly can — and then when I am there here, I shall go right home to your mother's house. I suppose mom will be terrible to-night — as Pop's absence & your away will sure make it anything but a happy passover.

I was so happy to read in my letter this morning that you are going to look for rooms real soon. You are such a dear wonderful precious hubby — is it any wonder that I am crazy in love with you? Is it any wonder that I rave to everyone about you? I simply adore you Lou, and wait & see who is going to call quits once I come down. Wait until I see you at that station! Just wait & see, that's all! Get whatever you think best in the matter 7 rooms, honey. I don't really mind whether it is 7 - 3 or 4 rooms. Whatever my hubby picks out — suits me! "All ah want is mah lovin honey man". And dear heart, I sure do want you — for, love you! Yes, love doesn't cover my affection. I just crave & pine and long for you all day. I am very happy to know you won't have any trouble getting the rooms with a baby.

Now, love, what do you suppose the Government sent Mom + I? No — no more checks! So Mom wrote to Cindy & sent back "90 - In mix — 219. I shall send them that check back with my compliments & "no mo". What do you say? Also let me know whether I shall ship your things, in case by the time I pack they have not called for them. One of the men here is getting me a packing case. Which I shall

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matter what should happen up — I go! I have often wished that I had bought my ticket long ago for May 15th. Then I should have just had to go, and my conscience would not bother me. But, dear, I suppose things are best so, and honey, love, May 10th — I shall be in my precious hubby's arms. Will you kiss and hug me, love? Just a little bit, eh? Good! only kisses how much I miss and long for you, love.

About Zeeder, he will not leave before Pass over so either he will come with me, or very soon after. Which ever way they decide home. For each of us — it will be the "memphis Special — louder heart." He would be mustered from camp out of the Hospital as it can be arranged no other way.

Well, honey, Nell is down in Altoona, with Mam and happy. Said I wish I was leaving when she did? Oh! love, how I wished & wished! She sure did look stunning when she left. Barney, she writes has a wonderful office & is doing extremely well. She writes the weather is simply wonderful down South now.

I meant to write during the week, but happy I was that you passed your 2nd degree Mason, but I was so upset, it slipped my mind. I sure am happy dear, and am happy too, that you have passed your fees right thru the 3 degrees — or rather gave it to Uncle Morris. Did you hear anything more love, about the U. Republic?

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of course I shall write her & tell her not to dare send out a thing — as you remember she sent out that cheese & cracker disturbance we were married. She speaks of you in the letter. I shall send you the letter to-morrow perhaps — and you can read it yourself and see how lonely that poor girl is. Just isn't it a pity, love?

Now precious, I sure do hope that you are feeling better — and that the disappointment has somewhat worn off. Don't feel too badly about it, love take it in the sensible way. I shall be down on the 10th if I have to break my neck to get there. I see! I'm sure will mean some work & hustling for me, but I shall manage somehow. I hope, by May 1st, to have little to worry about besides my teeth.

My received another increase earning now 45¢. Pretty good, what do you say? Pop has left the place he was at & is now again with my uncle. Although he is making nice money. I feel that he is working too hard. Mom says that she hopes soon, to have him just all together. When Edna earns a little, you see it will make a big difference.

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undergo an operation recently, the more shrapnel re-
moved. That means about another 6 mos. in the
hospital.

I have not heard how Henry is to-day, but I hope he is improving. He seemed to have suffered the most of the 3 kiddies who had their tonsils and adenoids removed. Will let you know in to-morrow's letter how both Henry & Mom are feeling. It is now only a matter of a few days and Mom shall receive proper care and attention. Now, Babe, see ——, if I were to start to-morrow (the 15th) on my vacation, I would be away the entire time Mom was here. As to Tante Rosie — well — I don't see how you can prevent her going to see Mom when she is here, — besides Mom doesn't want us to do or say anything — asked so, we will let things pass take the course. Shall tell you all when I see you.

Do hope Uncle Morris finds something for Mom. You have no idea how anxious Mom is to come down. I read her extracts of your letters in which you wrote about her coming down, and she was happy to hear Uncle Morris is considering her welfare. If Uncle Morris has a chance dear, I think he ought to drop Mom a line, don't you?

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To us, honey, I shall have to draw this to a close now, and always remember how much I love you.. Now, just be sensible about my coming down May 15th and keep on being the good loving, dear lovely you are. No more blues, I hear? Tell me how much you love me, will you? Am sending you heaps & heaps of love — loads of it! millions of kisses, and only one hug — but some hug! Tight, tight one. You know — until you yell, For Heaven's sake — quit!

Everlovingly
Frances.